GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MEDICAL FACILITIES TO EVERY CITIZEN
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission after the mid term review of Tenth Five Year Plan has given suggestions for establishing future arrangement for providing medical facilities to every citizen of the country ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision to implement these suggestions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. The Planning Commission after the Mid Term Review have recommended , the following interventions for early attention

- Augment resources for health.
- Focus on the monitorable targets of the Tenth Plan and develop a functioning primary health care system.
- Introduce a cadre of skilled birth attendants.
- Map the districts across the country to identify and register each health provider and bring within an accredited network.
- Integrate the National AIDS Control Programme with primary health care.
- Implement a National Mission on Sanitation and Public Health.
- Introduce a maternity health insurance scheme
- Introduce small risk pools to administer financial help at village levels.
- Reform CGHS into a social security and health insurance scheme
- Develop a basket of MOUs for carrying forward multiple partnerships at primary, secondary and tertiary levels.

(c) & (d) The Government has launched a National Rural Health Mission to provide accessible, affordable, accountable, effective and reliable primary health care especially to the poor and vulnerable sections of the population. It has as its key components provision of a female health activist in each village; a village health plan prepared through a local team headed by the Health and Sanitation Committee of the Panchayat; strengthening of the rural hospital for effective curative care and made measurable and accountable to the community through Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS); and integration of vertical Health and Family Welfare Programmes and Funds for optimal utilization of funds and infrastructure and strengthening delivery of primary health care.

The total outlay for the National Rural Health Mission for the year 2005-06 is Rs.6731.156 crore. The major components of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) have been targeted to be implemented during 2005-08.